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Meet the New Center Director!

Professor Leslie Wolf assumed the role of director of the Center for Law, Health & Society on July 1, 2014, succeeding director Charity Scott. "This is an exciting time for the center," Wolf said. "The first ten years were about building the foundation – bringing in the faculty to support the courses and programs we now offer. With that strong base, we can look to grow in new areas."

Before coming to Georgia State University seven years ago, Wolf was on faculty at the University of California San Francisco medical campus. Wolf candidly admits the center was an important factor to her decision to come to Georgia State

Law. "I wanted to have colleagues who understood the kind of work I do." The faculty has continued to grow since Wolf arrived, with a current total of ten full-time Center faculty, one jointly appointed faculty member, plus affiliated faculty. "It is a robust faculty that covers the entire range of health law."

Wolf credits debates over the first "test-tube" baby for her interest in bioethics and her decision to go to law school. She also has training in ethics through the Greenwall Fellowship in Bioethics and Health Policy, and a master's degree in public health. She relies on each of these disciplines in her work. While with the UCSF Program in

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LESLIE WOLF

Scott Reflects on th



Leslie Wolf, Director

Director's Message

This has been an incredible year for the Center for Law, Health & Society! In April, we celebrated our 10th anniversary and the remarkable achievements of our founding director, Charity Scott, over that period. HeLP was recognized for its 10 years of improving the health of low-income children both by the Georgia House of Representatives and the National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership Advisory Council. As evidenced in this newsletter, our health law faculty members have also been recognized individually for their teaching, research, and policy contributions in a variety of areas.

We have exciting events planned for the fall, as we continue our anniversary celebration, and into the future. We look forward to sharing them with you.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leslie Wolf".

Director, Center for Law, Health & Society

After 10 years, countless hours of community outreach and an incredible amount of energy spent building and expanding curricular offerings, Georgia State University College of Law's Center for Law, Health & Society's director, Charity Scott, stepped down and professor Leslie Wolf assumed the leadership role as of July 1.

Scott, the Catherine C. Henson Professor of Law, has led the center since its founding in 2004. Instrumental in the creation of the health law program at Georgia State Law, Scott taught the first health law course in 1987.

"Ten years is a good time for a change in any organizational setting, to allow fresh perspectives and new directions to flourish," Scott said. "I've put a lot of energy into program building, and I'm ready and eager to step back and watch the fruits of those labors truly blossom."

Scott stated she always intended to step away from her leadership role when she felt much of the center's foundation building was complete. She and Wolf have been working

closely during the last year to ensure the transition is as seamless as possible.

Scott will continue as a full-time faculty member and is looking forward to teaching and writing more, as well as completing research projects exploring conflict management in health care settings.

As she reflects on her time as director, Scott is proudest of bringing on new people and building new programs. In 2004, she was the only health law faculty member – now there are 10. She helped establish the center's six focus areas, which have shaped the more than 20 courses offered in health law. On a personal level, her strongest sense of pride comes from hearing how important the health law program has been to students and alumni.

"It is really poignant for me when graduates recount how much their experiences in my and others' health law classes have meant to them," she said. "Our Graduate Health Law Network is a treasure trove of truly fine professionals."

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Medical Ethics and Center for AIDS Prevention Studies, she developed an expertise in research ethics. Wolf also taught medical ethics to medical students, research ethics to fellows and junior faculty, served on an oversight committee for embryonic stem cell research, and consulted on legal and ethical issues that came up in clinical practice.

Her work at GSU has continued to span the wide range of health law topics. Wolf has taught courses on medical liability, public health law, HIV/AIDS and bioethics. She also conducts collaborative, empirical, grant-funded research and has published in legal, medical, ethics, and public health journals. "The center has always embraced the whole range of health law topics and approaches," Wolf commented.

In her new role as director, Wolf shares founding director and Catherine C. Henson Professor of Law Charity Scott's commitment to continuing the excellent work of the center through collaboration with faculty, students and the community.

"As we go forward, I see no reason to change what we have been doing so well for our students, alumni, the bar, and the community," Wolf said. "And I'm also excited to think about other ways we can further connect with our communities, including taking advantage of our new building for additional programming, working collaboratively with colleagues across the university on important health and public health law questions, and developing relationships internationally to enhance our faculty's research and our students' experiences."

The health law program at Georgia State Law is ranked in the top 10 in the nation by U.S. News and World Report for the 7th straight year.

The Center's First 10 Years

Administration





Sylvia Caley and Trey Kelley

HeLP Celebrates 10 Years

The Health Law Partnership (HeLP), a community collaboration with Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, the Atlanta Legal Aid Society, and Georgia State University College of Law, is celebrating 10 years of health care providers and lawyers working together to address the multiple social and economic conditions that affect low-income children’s health. Over the past decade, HeLP has expanded to all three Children’s hospitals; added a live-client clinic for students to develop practical lawyering skills, incorporated students from other disciplines including medicine, public health, social work, nursing, and bioethics from across GSU and from local universities such as Emory University and Morehouse Medical School; and published research documenting the beneficial effects of legal services on its clients’ health.

Legislature Recognizes 10 Years of Health Law Partnership

The Georgia House of Representatives recognized the Health Law Partnership (HeLP), a community collaboration with Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, and Georgia State University College of Law, at the state Capitol on Feb. 24 with a resolution and a bill recognizing medical-legal partnerships.

During the session, House Resolution 1549 was read on the floor honoring HeLP and the 10-year sustained efforts to improve social and economic conditions that affect the health of low-income children. Since its inception in 2004, HeLP has assisted more than 6,000 low-income children.

The Senate also passed SB 352, which authorizes government funding of MLPs meeting specific standards. The bill was drafted in professor Sylvia Caley’s (J.D. ’89) Health Legislation and Advocacy class last fall. Bryan Jacoutot (J.D. ’14), Kimberly Ramseur (M.P.H. ’15) and State Representative Trey Kelley (J.D. ’14) worked on the legislation before it was introduced this session. Professor Caley and the three students also presented these legislative efforts and the benefits obtained – for patients, providers, students, and the community – at a workshop at a national MLP conference. “Through HR 1549 and SB 352, we’re hopeful that more MLPs can be created around the state,” says Caley, who is also the director of HeLP and co-director of the HeLP Legal Services Clinic. “While HeLP and our clinic work specifically with children, these partnerships can benefit all low-income Georgians struggling with issues that affect their health.”

“The HeLP clinic acts as the front line, directly tackling the immediate legal needs of indigent children across the state,” Jacoutot says. “The advocacy and HeLP clinic courses have the same end-game of improving health outcomes in Georgia.”





Robert Pettignano and Sylvia Caley with members of the Advisory Council of the National Center for Medical Legal Partnership



Lisa Bliss

Bliss Receives National Award for Clinical Legal Education

Lisa Radtke Bliss, associate clinical professor, co-director of the HeLP Legal Services Clinic and director of experiential education at Georgia State University College of Law, recently received the 2014 Association of American Law Schools Section on Clinical Legal Education M. Shanara Gilbert Award.

The executive committee of the section presented Bliss with the award on April 28 at the Clinical Legal Education Conference in Chicago. The award honors an “emerging” clinician, with 10 or fewer years of experience, who has demonstrated a commitment to teaching and achieving social justice for those most in need, an interest in international clinical legal education, and service to the cause of clinical legal education.

A guiding principle for Bliss’s legal career has been providing under-served legal communities with access to justice. The committee praised Bliss’ work and commitment as a teacher, scholar and advocate, stating she more than fulfills the spirit of M. Shanara Gilbert Award criteria. The committee also noted her engagement with national and international organizations dedicated to clinical legal education and social justice.

Bliss has spent significant time in Southeast Asia, providing clinical legal education training and support. She has served as a clinician in residence in Thailand, and participated in training workshops in Thailand, Myanmar and Vietnam.

“My service to the clinical legal education profession here and abroad has been a gift to me,” Bliss says. “It has allowed me to work with and learn from the best of the best in my field. I have become a better teacher and professional as a result.”

From the time she joined Georgia State Law, Bliss took on the responsibility of broadening the focus on integrating practical skills education into the curriculum. In 2013, she was named Georgia State Law’s first director of experiential education.

“Lisa is an individual with passion for the position, a gift for strategic thinking and holds a vision that recognized the common threads of our clinical and nonclinical skills program,” says Steven J. Kaminshine, dean and professor of law. “Her energy and commitment to clinical legal education is evident from her work as a teacher, scholar and citizen.”

HeLP Receives Outstanding MLP Award at Summit

The National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership Advisory Council 2014 Awards Committee recently awarded the Health Law Partnership (HeLP) with an Outstanding MLP Award at the 2014 MLP Summit. Sylvia Caley (J.D. ’89), director of the Health Law Partnership and co-director of the HeLP Legal Services Clinic, and Dr. Robert Pettignano, Emory Medical School professor and HeLP medical champion director at Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta accepted the award on behalf of HeLP.

HeLP stood out from the numerous other award applicants, impressing the MLP advisory council with its 10-year track record of excellence as a medical-legal partnership, particularly in building the evidence base for such partnerships being an important part of healthcare.

“The HeLP team was thrilled to receive this honor,” said Caley. “We have worked hard to become a leader in the MLP movement, and it is nice to be recognized.”

Throughout the years, HeLP has provided invaluable assistance to patients requiring legal services to improve health outcomes. The organization has excelled in both medical and legal education and promoted successful policy changes to improve population health. As a result of its outstanding leadership and impact, HeLP also was cited as a hospital best practice during a 2010 Joint Commission review.

“Many congratulations to the tireless and outstanding leadership of the HeLP team for making it a MLP, deserving of this national recognition,” said Charity Scott, Catherine C. Henson professor of law and founding director for the Center for Law, Health & Society.

“We have come so far in our first 10 years, and there’s no reason HeLP can’t just keep getting better and better in its next 10 years. This is an exciting time for HeLP.”

– Sylvia Caley (J.D. ’89), Director of HeLP and Co-director of the HeLP Legal Services Clinic at the College of Law

Todres serves on Institute of Medicine Committees



Jonathan Todres with members and Youth Delegates of the Bullying Prevention Committee

Professor Jonathan Todres's expertise and research on children's rights and child well-being was recognized when he was tapped to serve on two Institute of Medicine committees. These included one committee on the Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Sex Trafficking of Minors in the United States and another on Increasing Capacity for Reducing Bullying and Its Impact on the Lifecourse of Youth Involved.

A longtime advocate for children's rights who has written extensively

on the trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of children, Todres was a fitting selection for the committee on the Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Sex Trafficking of Minors in the United States. The committee's report, "Confronting Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Sex Trafficking of Minors in the United States," was released in September 2013. The report concluded that efforts to prevent, identify, and respond to commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking of minors require evidence-based collaborative approaches.

Todres and fellow IOM committee member, Ellen Wright Clayton, M.D., J.D. from Vanderbilt University, reinforced that conclusion in their April 2014 *New England Journal of Medicine* article calling for greater roles for health care providers in addressing sexual exploitation of minors.

Todres's inclusion on the IOM committee on bullying prevention is a natural extension of his work on preventing violence against children, and his efforts to bring a public health lens to such problems. The committee held a two-day public workshop in April 2014 in which Todres participated. The workshop focused on identifying promising conceptual models and proven interventions that could guide future efforts in bullying prevention, as well as identifying gaps in our knowledge about bullying to guide future research. A report on the workshop was published in September 2014.

Fuse Brown Selected as Health Law Scholar



Erin Fuse Brown

Assistant professor Erin Fuse Brown was named a 2014 Health Law Scholar at the ASLME 2014 Health Law Professors Conference.

As one of four professors selected nationwide, Fuse Brown will participate in a Health Law Scholars Workshop, a joint initiative of Saint Louis University School of Law and ASLME.

"This workshop offers junior faculty members the opportunity to present promising works-in-progress and receive in-depth critique from experienced health law and bioethics scholars," said professor Sidney Watson with the Center for Health Law Studies at Saint Louis University

School of Law, in announcing the scholars. "In addition to encouraging scholarship, the program is designed to cultivate a sense of community among health law academics"

Fuse Brown's paper "Rationalizing Hospital Prices" was chosen by a nominating committee of nine highly regarded health law scholars from across the country in a blind review process. The paper is her third in a series examining hospital pricing and discusses various legal and policy solutions offered to ameliorate the problems of irrational hospital prices.

"I am delighted to be selected for this prestigious program," Fuse Brown said. "This is an invaluable opportunity to receive the feedback of more senior colleagues to further develop my paper and to discuss ideas about future scholarship."

Promotion & Tenure



Gabel

Georgia State University President Mark Becker approved the College of Law's promotion and tenure recommendations. Professor Jonathan Todres was promoted to full professor. Professor Jessica D. Gabel was awarded tenure.

"I am delighted for Jonathan and Jessie," said Leslie Wolf, director of the Center for Law, Health & Society. "They both are such excellent scholars and teachers who thoroughly deserve this recognition."



Todres

Georgia State Law Represented at Health Law Professors Conference

Nine Georgia State University College of Law faculty members and staff attended the 37th Annual Health Law Professors Conference in June, 2014. The conference is sponsored by the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics and was held at the University of California Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco.

Charity Scott designed and moderated a workshop on "Starting, Building, and Fostering Health Law Programs: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know (and Didn't Know Whom to Ask)."

Erin Fuse Brown was a panelist focused on health law teaching tips and techniques entitled

"Rethinking Health Law in the Post ACA World." She also presented "Irrational Hospital Pricing."

Roberta Berry presented "Neuroscience and Military Enhancement: Toward a Normative and Regulatory Framework."

Yaniv Heled presented "Patent

Substitutes in Biomedical Technology: Regulatory Competitive Shelters."

Jonathan Todres presented "Preventing, Identifying, and Responding to Child Trafficking: What We Know Today."

Paul Lombardo co-presented the "Bioethics Update" for the year.

Berry Awarded Joint Appointment

Roberta Berry has been awarded a joint faculty appointment at Georgia State University College of Law as professor of science and technology law, policy & ethics effective as of fall 2013. Berry is a tenured associate professor at Georgia Institute of Technology in the School of Public Policy. She has been a faculty fellow with the center since 2007. In this role, she has taught Biotechnology, Law, Policy & Ethics, an interdisciplinary course open to law students and graduate students from Georgia Tech. Berry will continue to offer this course at Georgia State Law during spring semesters. She

will also work to develop a new B.S./J.D. dual degree program to enable Georgia Tech undergraduate students to earn law degrees at Georgia State in less time than if completed separately.

Since joining the faculty at Georgia Tech in 1999, Berry has initiated programs designed to enhance undergraduate education and explore the intersection of law and science, including developing a pre-law minor. She has also been named director of Georgia Tech's Honors Program beginning August 15.

Berry, who holds a Ph.D. in History and

Philosophy of Science in addition to a J.D., focuses her research on the legal, ethical and policy implications of biotechnology, bioethics, genetics and health care. "We are excited to have Roberta receive this joint appointment," said Leslie Wolf, director of the Center for Law, Health & Society. "She has been an invaluable part of the center as a faculty fellow. The joint appointment will ensure we will benefit from her talents into the future."



Berry

Anderson Researches Homelessness in Barcelona



Courtney Anderson and participants of Study Space VII in Barcelona, Spain

While many people picture research as best conducted at a spacious desk in a quiet area with little to no distractions, assistant professor Courtney Anderson knows there is no substitute for experiential learning. This May she participated in the seventh Study Space sponsored by Georgia State University's Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth, in Barcelona, Spain.

The weeklong intensive workshop brought together government representatives, private sector professionals, and scholars from many disciplines including law and public health, to tackle issues of affordable housing and homelessness. Barcelona served as a case study because nearly 25 percent of the population is out of work, evictions are at an all-time high, and the number of homeless people has increased by 32 percent since 2007.

"This is my area of experience, scholarship, and teaching," said Anderson, who was one of several Georgia State University law, sociology and public health faculty attending. "I've worked with the Metro Growth Center on a variety of other projects and wanted to engage in an immersion program on an issue that is the cornerstone of my scholarship."

Pairing research with real-life application that could be witnessed by the participants enriched the experience of those involved in the Study Space. Participants attended lectures on topics ranging from the impact of the financial and housing crisis on the domestic economy to Barcelona's smart city evolution to housing discrimination and the fight for housing rights. They also visited a social housing development, a nongovernmental organization meeting for residents facing foreclosure and eviction, and a tour of the city from the perspective of the homeless.

Participants will commemorate their experience in scholarly articles to be published in the *Revista de Derecho Urbanistico*, an internationally disseminated journal, in spring 2015.

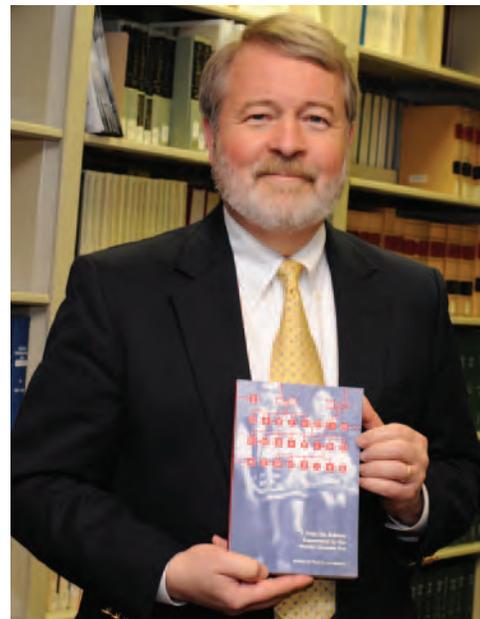
"I am interested in comparative and empirical work, and the opportunity to engage in scholarship and dialogue with sociologists and international scholars is very helpful," said Anderson. She hopes to bring the Study Space framework to the Center for Law, Health & Society in the near future to examine interdisciplinary approaches to mitigating issues that affect all areas of health.

Professor Lombardo Featured in South Korean Documentary

Paul A. Lombardo, Bobby Lee Cook Professor of Law, is featured prominently in the first segment of a three-part documentary, "Law and Justice," shown on South Korean public television.

The first documentary hour, "Whose Side is the Law On," begins with an interview of Lombardo. It highlights his decades-long research and writings on the historic Carrie Buck sterilization case, *Buck v. Bell* that reached the Supreme Court in 1927. It also features Lombardo on the Georgia State campus and at the historical marker he helped erect for *Buck v. Bell* in Virginia.

Lombardo analyzed the history of that case in "Three Generations, No Imbeciles: Eugenics, the Supreme Court and *Buck v. Bell*," a book published in 2008. The filmmakers borrowed many details from the book, which explains the historic Buck decision permitting sterilization of the "unfit," including intellectually disabled people.



Lombardo

25 Years in Health Care Law



David Johnson

David Johnson (J.D. '89), partner at Insley Race LLC, began his practice in health care law 25 years ago and has continued to specialize in this area. His clients include hospitals and health care providers in various practice settings including hospitals, private practices and correctional institutions. While his practice is primarily litigation, there is a strong administrative component as well, including credentialing, peer review, compliance and risk management.

As a member of the fourth graduating class at Georgia State University College of Law, Johnson recalled students were particularly motivated to achieve and to help create and then extend the new law school's reputation. "In my years there was only one health law class," he said. "I wish I had access to the health law resources at Georgia State Law that are available today."

He encouraged students to take advantage of the health law certificate, one of the many dual degree programs, or other health law offerings toward what he believes is a growing

field. "Work at the practical craft of lawyering through trial practice or transaction clinics and develop your professional judgment," Johnson advised.

A longtime supporter of the Center for Law, Health & Society, Johnson credited the center with building a brand for itself and for Georgia State Law that benefits alumni, lawyers, educators, and business professionals who work in the health care field.

"Issues in health care litigation are often complex and intellectually demanding but at the heart of the matter they concern people – patients and families, doctors and nurses. It is challenging and gratifying to find that fair balance between science, reason and the standard of care that does justice to the people and emotions that are inherent in these cases."

– David Johnson (J.D. '89), Partner, Insley Race, LLC

"The center has always been interdisciplinary and nurtures a cross section of disciplines from public health to bioethics to regulatory to medical malpractice," Johnson said. "It operates a platform that encourages participation by many and varied stakeholders in the Georgia health care community."

Nurse Attorney Highlighted in Daily Report

Excerpted with permission from "On the Move: Former Nurse Leaves K&S to Launch Litigation Consultancy" by Meredith Hobbs, Fulton County Daily Report (June 11, 2014).

Dawn Jones (J.D. '00) is launching a consultancy that uses her background in nursing and litigation to assist other lawyers, from assessing cases through taking them to trial. She screens and evaluates potential cases, reviewing medical and insurance records to determine the viability of potential claims.

Jones was a nurse working on the trauma unit at Grady Memorial Hospital before she became a lawyer. A clinical nurse specialist in critical care, Jones said she'd never thought about law school until she met other nurses with J.D.s. Those nurses worked as patient advocates, making sure hospitals and physicians followed the law in patient care.

She quit nursing when she became an associate counsel for Grady Health System in 2003. Soon after that she heard from a classmate that King & Spalding was looking for nurse-J.D.s to help with pharmaceutical cases.

"This is the natural next step," she said. Jones will be helping other lawyers to work up their cases, just as she did as a senior attorney at King & Spalding, but now as her own boss as the proprietor of The Firm of Dawn M. Jones.

Read the full article at www.dailyreportonline.com.



Dawn Jones

Photo by Rebecca Breyer, courtesy of the Daily Report

Alumnus Honored as an Injury Prevention Luminary

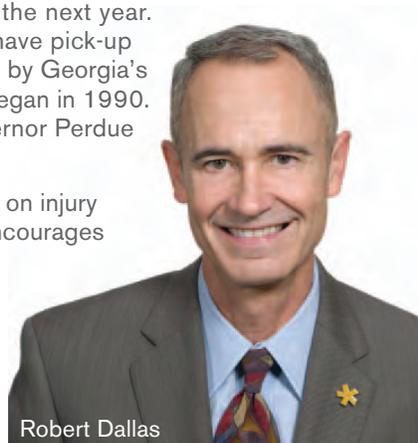
In November, Robert Dallas (J.D. '89), of counsel at Casey Gilson PC, was recognized by the Emory Center for Injury Control as one of 20 "Luminaries" for his outstanding service and commitment to violence and injury prevention as the director of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, a position he held for eight years under Gov. Sonny Perdue.

In 1989, Dallas helped found Safe Kids of Georgia and began lobbying the Georgia General Assembly on public health and safety issues. He has served on various boards involving transportation, zoning, and land use. Dallas credits his legal education at Georgia State University College of Law with helping him in developing policy-related skills.

"In 1990 I wrote the child bicycle helmet bill and was informed there was no chance for its passage," Dallas

said. "With help from many constituents and stakeholders, it passed the next year. In contrast, my work to have pick-up truck occupants covered by Georgia's primary safety belt law began in 1990. Twenty years later, Governor Perdue signed it into law."

Dallas continues to work on injury prevention efforts and encourages students to pursue their passions. "In many instances the nonprofit and pro bono work will lead to a position where your talents and passion are combined," he said.



Robert Dallas

Graduate Receives Tobacco Research Fellowship



Kyle Gregory

Recent graduate, Kyle Gregory (J.D./M.S.H.A. '14), was named as a Tobacco Center of Regulatory Science (TCORS) Postdoctoral Fellow by the GSU School of Public Health. This is the first year the fellowship has been offered. It was established as part of the 2013 five-year, \$19 million grant, the School of Public Health received from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The two-year fellowship will provide academic and practical training in tobacco regulatory science. The first year will be academically focused, including course work, independent study, and writing projects. The second year will involve practicums with federal, state, and local agencies involved in regulating tobacco.

Gregory, who participated in the dual degree program offered by the College of Law and the Robinson College of Business' Institute of Health Administration, also earned his health law certificate from the College of Law. He has already developed a strong background in regulatory science through his coursework and legal internship positions, but is excited to hone his skills in this exciting new field.

"I've always been drawn towards the regulatory aspects of health law," said Gregory. "I see this fellowship as a chance to enhance my skills in a public health arena while getting practical exposure in a multidisciplinary environment."

"We are delighted that Kyle was selected in the first cohort of TCORS Fellows," center director Leslie Wolf said. "He has been actively engaged with the center throughout his law school career. He's been presented a fantastic opportunity, and we know he's going to run with it."

Working In-house in Health Law

For more than a year, Ryan Hussey (J.D. '10) has been in-house counsel at the Office of the General Counsel at Saint Luke's Health System, a non-profit health system with ten hospitals located in the Kansas City metropolitan area. After working for small general practice firms after graduation, health law felt like the right fit for him.

Through his in-house job, Hussey focuses on a myriad of issues, including anti-kickback and Stark compliance, HIPAA privacy and patient consent issues, and reimbursement disputes for Medicaid patients.

"The Health Law: Liability course (now Health Law: Quality and Access) was the most challenging, but also the most interesting, traditional law school course taken. I am not sure if I excelled because I enjoyed the material or I enjoyed the material because I excelled, but regardless that class helped guide me towards focusing on health law."

Last summer, he attended the American Health Law Association's Fundamentals of Health Law Conference. "I discovered what a small world health law is when I came across two other recent Georgia State Law graduates," Hussey said.

"I have Georgia State's health law program, especially the HeLP Legal Services Clinic and Health Legislation and Advocacy course to thank."

– Ryan Hussey (J.D. '10)



Ryan Hussey



Center for Law, Health & Society 10TH ANNIVERSARY



The Center for Law, Health & Society at Georgia State Law has been growing and flourishing since its creation in April 2004. Our premier health law program is consistently ranked among our nation's top 10. Our faculty and academic professionals have strengthened the center's intellectual and educational reach, which now encompasses fields of law related to health and business regulation, public and environmental health, health equity and social justice, bioethics and legal medicine, and health sciences and technology. Our students benefit from an expanded health law curriculum, including the in-house Health Law Partnership Legal Services Clinic, more than 20 courses and externships, three dual-degree programs and the J.D. health law certificate program. We continuously serve our community with cutting-edge public programs and diverse outreach activities.

We extend our deep appreciation to all our friends and supporters who have contributed so generously of their time and talents to further our mission and activities. Thank you all for your support and for joining us in celebrating our past achievements and envisioning our future together.





Thank you to our supporters

The success of the Center for Law, Health & Society at the College of Law has depended on the generous financial supports of the University, our graduates, our community, and grantors and donors, which is represented during the last 10 years by:

- More than \$1,500,000 in grants and gifts to support HeLP and the HeLP Legal Services Clinic
- More than \$1,000,000 in grants and gifts to support other center programs and faculty research
- More than \$750,000 annually in university awards under Areas of Focus (AOF), the Second Century Initiative (2CI) and other initiatives to support new faculty positions in health law

We also extend our deep appreciation to all of the center's friends and supporters who have contributed so generously of their time and talents to further the mission and activities of the center. We thank you all for your support and for joining us in celebration our past achievements and envisioning our future together.

We offer special thanks to supporters who have given in honor of the 10th Anniversary Year:

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Donations in honor of the 10th Anniversary are still being accepted. Donations at any level are greatly appreciated. All gifts are tax deductible. Visit law.gsu.edu/giving and select the Center for Law, Health & Society to make a donation.

CELEBRATION



- Georgia State University and College of Law approve center's creation
- Charity Scott appointed center director



- Roberta M. Berry (associate professor, Georgia Institute of Technology) appointed visiting professor (becomes faculty fellow in 2007 and receives joint appointment at GSU in 2014)

- Paul A. Lombardo joins faculty as professor of law (under AOF award)
- Lisa Radtke Bliss joins faculty as assistant clinical professor



- Wendy F. Hensel joins center as faculty affiliate (faculty member since 1999)

2004

- Health Law Partnership (HeLP) established as a community collaboration with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Atlanta Legal Aid Society

- Sylvia B. Caley (J.D. '89) appointed as director of HeLP and clinical supervising attorney at the College of Law (becomes assistant clinical professor in 2006)



- Dual-degree programs launched with Robinson College of Business Institute of Health Administration: J.D./M.S.H.A. and J.D./M.B.A./M.H.A.

- Graduate Health Law Network (GHLN) Leadership Board formed

- University awards three new law faculty lines in health law under Areas of Focus (AOF) initiative in collaboration with the College of Law, Department of Biology and newly formed Institute of Health

2005

- Lettie Pate Evans Foundation (a Woodruff Foundation affiliate) awards a three-year, \$750,000 grant to the College of Law and the Atlanta Legal Aid Society to support the development of the HeLP Legal Service Clinic and an additional staff attorney for HeLP (Scott, PI, and Caley, Co-PI)

- HeLP externship program accepts its first Georgia State Law student

- Law Review Symposium: The Next Generation of ADR and Conflict Management in Health Care Settings: New Challenges and New Approaches

- Three part public seminar series: What Does It Mean to Be Human?

- GHLN launches mentoring program for Student Health Law Association (SHLA)

2006

- Student Health Law Association cosponsored eight-part student series: Becoming a Lawyer

- Center named collaborating organization in 5th Annual Partnership Conference on Public Health Law (with cosponsors ASLME and CDC)

- Center convenes series of nonpartisan, community-wide forums with broad range of legal, health care, and advocacy stakeholders to explore reform of Georgia's advance directives law, which results in passage of Georgia House Bill 24 in 2007



L I N E



- Jonathan Todres joins faculty as associate professor of law (under AOF award)
- Leslie E. Wolf joins faculty as associate professor of law (under AOF award)



- Randall L. Hughes appointed a faculty fellow (adjunct faculty member since 2001)

- Conference: Stem Cell Research: Understanding the Controversy

- First annual HeLP Legal Services Clinic Award given on Honors Day to Madison Burnett (J.D. '09) (cosponsored by the HeLP Advisory Council)



- Georgia Department of Community Health awards \$100,000 under Georgia Health Equity program to support HeLP's new hospital-based office at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Hughes Spalding (Scott)

- Rebecca (Propst) Polinsky (J.D. '07) joins as Health Disparities Fellow to launch HeLP office at Hughes Spalding

- Katherine Sullivan joins as Health Disparities Research Fellow



2007

- HeLP Legal Services Clinic opens as the second live-client clinic at the College of Law
- Georgia Senate Resolution 247 passes in General Assembly ("A Resolution of Profound Regret" acknowledging state's role in 20th-century eugenics; initiated by Lombardo with bipartisan support)
- Bioethics at the Movies series launched with SHLA
- Mentoring program launched with SHLA students for high school students at the School of Health Sciences and Research at the New Schools at Carver
- First time that health law program is ranked in top 10 by U.S. News & World Report (stays in top 10 to present)

2008

- Georgia House Bill 89 passes General Assembly ("Corporate Good Samaritan Act") (first legislation passed in conjunction with HLA course students' work with community partners)
- NSF awards \$298,000 under Ethics Education in Science and Engineering program for project on "Ethically Contentious Research and Innovation: An Interdisciplinary and Interinstitutional Experiment in Ethics Education and Assessment." (Berry, PI (Georgia Tech), and Wolf, Co-PI)

2009

- Conference: Interdisciplinary Collaborative Education: Partnerships Between Law Schools and the Health Professions
- Law Review Symposium: The 25th Anniversary of the Baby Doe Regulations: Perspectives from the Fields of Law, Health Care, Ethics & Disability





- Jessica D. Gabel joins center as Faculty Affiliate
- Emily F. Suski joins as clinical supervising attorney with the HeLP Legal Services Clinic (becomes assistant clinical professor in 2013)
- Kresge Foundation awards \$250,000 to support HeLP Legal Services Clinic (Caley)
- University awards three new law faculty lines in health law under Second Century Initiative (2CI) in collaboration with the College of Law, Institute of Public Health, and Robinson College of Business Institute of Health Administration



- Courtney L. Anderson joins faculty as assistant professor of law (under 2CI award)
- Erin C. Fuse Brown joins faculty as assistant professor of law (under 2CI award)

2010

- NIH awards \$190,000 to support study of Certificates of Confidentiality (Wolf, Co-I)
- Faculty-student presentations at First World of Forensics in Dalian, China (Gabel and eight law students)
- Faculty-student research reports on international trafficking in connection with U.N. Inter-Agency Project on Human Trafficking



2011

- Yaniv Heled joins faculty as assistant professor of law (under 2CI award)
- First annual Student Health Law Award given on Honors Day to Raymond Lindholm (J.D. '11, M.S.H.A. '12) (co-sponsored by the State Bar of Georgia)



2012

- Certificate program in health law for law students launched
- Faculty-student research team publish and present findings on NIH-funded study of Certificates of Confidentiality (Wolf and three students, with Duke University collaborators)
- Students begin hands-on bioethics collaboration with Grady Hospital Ethics program (Lombardo)



- First law students graduate with health law certificate
- Dual-degree program launched with new School of Public Health: J.D./M.P.H.
- Georgia health care leaders participate in two forums to explore early resolutions of potential claims of medical malpractice through nonadversarial approaches
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation awards \$557,000 for creations of Faculty Fellowship program in public health law education (Scott and Kershner)

- Leslie Wolf succeeds founding director Charity Scott as center director
- The Georgia House of Representatives recognizes HeLP at the state capitol (House Resolution 1549) and passes bill authorizing government funding of medical legal partnerships (HB 910)

- Move to new law building Spring/Summer 2015
- Recruit regulatory science faculty member
- Host of 2017 American Society of Law Medicine & Ethics Health Law Professor Conference

2013

- Moot Court Team places second in National Health Law Moot Court Competition



2014

- HeLP awarded an Outstanding MLP Award by the National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership Advisory Council
- Elyn Saks, Orrin B. Evans Professor of Law, Psychology, and Psychiatry and the Behavioral Sciences, University of Southern California Gould School of Law, named as Miller Lecturer for Fall 2014
- University awards new law faculty line in regulatory science under Second Century Initiative (2CI) in collaboration with the School of Public Health

FUTURE



Seeking Justice, Saving Lives



Governor Nathan Deal signs House Bill 965

One week before Justin Leef (J.D. '16) took the LSAT, his childhood friend Zack Elliott was found dead in the backseat of a car. His friends were too afraid to call 911 when he overdosed, and because they were high, they didn't stop at any of the three hospitals they passed while he was still alive.

Robin Elliott, Zack's mother, reached out and asked Leef if he would help introduce a policy change in Georgia to prevent deaths like her son's.

At the time, Leef was interning with state Rep. Amy Carter (R-Valdosta) and Rep. Sharon Cooper (R-Marietta). With the help of Cooper and others, Leef helped draft two house bills. HB 965 (Georgia 911 Medical Amnesty Law) would grant amnesty to accidental overdose victims of illicit drugs as well those who call for emergency medical help. HB 966 would allow first responders access to naloxone, a drug proven to reverse the effects of opioids in overdoses.

Leef knew he needed support from both sides of the aisle so he approached Rep. Mary Margaret Oliver (D-Decatur). Having interned with Rep. Tom Weldon (R-Ringgold), Leef asked for his support then recruited Rep. Ben Watson (R-Savannah), a medical doctor, and Rep. Bruce Broadrick (R-Dalton), a pharmacist. Both Watson and Broadrick could speak to how easily people become dependent on opiates, the growing crisis of overdoses, and how naloxone can counter the effects of opioids.

Leef knew that to gain the full support from the House, he would need more parents, like Elliott, to tell the story of how they lost a child to an overdose. Leef found other mothers and prepared them to visit the state Capitol and to tell their child's story many more times, eventually in front of the judiciary committee.

On April 24, the mothers and Leef walked into Gov. Nathan Deal's office to watch him sign HB 965 into law. On April 29, Gov. Deal also signed HB 966. The bills make Georgia the 15th state to enact a 911 medical amnesty law and the 19th

state to extend legal protections to people who administer naloxone to someone experiencing a drug overdose.

In June, a Holly Springs, Georgia, police sergeant administered the drug to save the life of an overdosing young woman.

Leef said justice was served for Zack, the moms and the countless lives the bills will help save. "It was very rewarding for the bills to pass this session," he said. "We had an urgency to get it done. It was time-consuming, but it was all worth it."



Justin Leef

Health Law Awards



Charity Scott, Greg Fosheim, Erin Fuse Brown, Leslie Wolf, Stacie Kershner

Several health law students were acknowledged for their achievements at the 2014 College of Law Honors Day. "We are fortunate to have such dedicated, hard-working health law students," said Leslie Wolf, director of the Center for Law, Health & Society. "We are delighted to have the opportunity to recognize their efforts publicly."

Gregory Fosheim (J.D. '14) was awarded the Health Law Award. This award, which includes a monetary gift sponsored by the State Bar of Georgia's Health Law Section, recognizes outstanding student achievement in health law including academic performance, writing ability, experiential learning, and involvement in the health law community.

The ABA/BNA Award for Excellence in the Study of Health Law is awarded to three students with the highest grades in core health law courses. Kyle Gregory (J.D./M.S.H.A. '14) and Susan Haynes (J.D. '14) received this award for Health Law: Finance and Delivery; April Springfield (J.D. '15) received the award for Health Law: Quality and Access; and Caitlyn Kerr (J.D. '14) received this award for Bioethics. These students received a certificate and a complementary book selection from ABA/BNA.

Michael Reed (J.D. '14) was presented with the HeLP Legal Services Clinic Award, including a monetary gift sponsored by the HeLP Advisory Council, for demonstrating excellent legal analysis, writing, advocacy, and professionalism in the delivery of legal services to low-income families served by the clinic.

Students Participate in Health Law Regulatory and Compliance Competition

Health law students Liath Bricks (J.D. '15), Kyle Gregory (J.D./M.S.H.A. '14) and Sam Shapiro (J.D./M.S.H.A. '14) participated in the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law's Third Annual Health Law Regulatory & Compliance Competition in February.

The competition allows students to further their knowledge of how health care is regulated in the United States through a case competition, which focused on FDA regulatory requirements for drugs and/or medical devices this year.

This was the first time GSU had participated in the competition. Shapiro and Gregory have agreed to coach a team for the 2015 competition.

Course Addresses Health Disparities in Local Neighborhoods

Working as community partners, Georgia State University College of Law students and Neighborhood Planning Units worked to assess the impact of health disparities in underserved communities in the Atlanta area and provide recommendations in this spring's innovative Law and Health Equity Course.

Courtney Anderson, assistant professor of law, introduced students to socioeconomic causes of chronic and mental health illnesses in low-income and minority communities, emphasizing the need for legal solutions to help address such diseases. Adjunct professor Madison Burnett (J.D. '09) co-taught the course.



Courtney Anderson (center)

Students worked with the Atlanta NPUs, which are citizen advisory councils that make zoning, land use and other planning recommendations to the mayor and city council. Through the NPU partnership, students learned about the intersection between transactional law, advocacy, and community organization. Projects included holding workshops on health impact assessments and benefits agreements, teaching community members about their rights in the city's development process for neighborhoods around Turner Field and the Georgia Dome, and helping to

establish programs that aid offenders with finding employment opportunities and affordable housing on their release.

"Often in seminar classes we discuss issues and inequities within the law, but rarely do we go out and do something about it," said Amber Bennett (J.D. '14) who was enrolled in the course. "In Law and Health Equity, we do more than discuss health equity issues in the community. We also work hands-on with the community to create realistic ways to help fix those problems."

According to Anderson, the partnership went well. "The students are engaged because they were in the community and seeing immediately how the classroom readings and discussion translate into lawyering skills," she said.

Law and Health Equity will be offered again in spring 2015, and the likelihood of new community partners is promising. The community response to the course has created a buzz among other social service organizations in Georgia. "Many organizations have expressed an interest in getting involved with the class and discussing how health equity can be incorporated into their policies and mission," Anderson said.

Law and Health Equity Student Honored by State Bar of Georgia

Georgia State Law's Leslie Salley (J.D. '14) was awarded the State Bar of Georgia's Individual Law School Access to Justice Award for her pro bono work in law and health equity. She will be honored at the State Bar of Georgia's annual Pro Bono Awards Reception in October.

New for 2014, the State Bar of Georgia Access to Justice Committee and the Young Lawyers Division created the award to recognize a law student who has excelled in support of a civil pro bono or legal aid program or who has been instrumental in the development of a civil pro bono program satisfying previously unmet civil legal needs or extended services to underserved segments of the population.

Among Salley's projects, she worked with Atlanta NPU-V comprised of some of the poorest metro Atlanta neighborhoods flanking Turner Field. With Amber Bennett (J.D. '14), she held educational forums for these neighborhoods in an effort to help them gain access to public transportation, living wages, green space, and other crucial quality of life benefits that build communities.

"Leslie's got genuine interest and passion for community service work, and now she has the support and recognition of the legal profession in Georgia as she sets out as a junior lawyer," said Courtney Anderson, assistant professor of law, who nominated Salley for the award.



New SHLA Officers Named

The Student Health Law Association (SHLA) is a student-run organization for law students interested in health-related legal disciplines. The following students were elected as SHLA officers for 2014-2015:

- 3L President:** Nirvi Shah
- 2L President:** Greg Tanner
- Treasurer:** Choyce Middleton
- Vice President of Outreach:** Mitchell Jackson
- Vice President of Programming:** Bethany Ensley

The position of Secretary is reserved for an incoming first-year student interested in health law and will be selected at the beginning of the academic year.

Bioethics Course Links Law, Policy, Engineering and Science Students

Under the leadership of Roberta Berry, Georgia Institute of Technology associate professor of public policy, Georgia Tech graduate students and Georgia State University College of Law students engaged in intensive study of the ethical, legal and policy problems generated by rapid advances in neuroscience and neurotechnology and of problem-solving methods and skills for addressing these issues.

Berry, who is jointly appointed at Georgia State Law as a professor of science and technology law, policy, and ethics, brought in experts to teach the law and graduate students how to facilitate problem-based learning.



Ameete Doshi, David Risman, and Lindsey LaForge

"In problem-based learning, an 'advanced learner' facilitates student teams as they research and analyze complex problems presented to them for the first time in the classroom," Berry says. "Rather than lecture or assign readings, the facilitator provides

scaffolding to support active student learning, teamwork, and problem solving."

The law and graduate students applied their facilitative skills in a Georgia Tech undergraduate class using problems they helped design. "It is such an amazing experience to be able to contribute to the learning process of undergraduates as they begin to understand that their actions as professionals have policy and legal implications," says Lindsey LaForge (J.D. '14), who participated in the course.

"The learning opportunities for law students are tremendous," Berry says. "They learn by engaging with different kinds of students with different perspectives on the problems and by studying and experiencing how diverse people can work together to solve complex problems, skills that will serve them well in every conceivable practice setting."

Health and Law Students Volunteer at MedShare



The Student Health Law Association and the Future Healthcare Executives joined forces for a community service activity this past spring at MedShare. Law students, health administration students, and dual degree students participated in the event.

MedShare is concerned with the health care needs of populations in developing countries and with the threat to the environment caused by medical waste. "MedShare collects surplus medical supplies and equipment from hospitals, distributors, and manufacturers that might otherwise be thrown away," said Jeremy Panter (J.D./M.B.A./M.H.A. '15). "Our work involved sorting and preparing these supplies for redistribution around the world to health care providers in need."

Health Law Moot Court Team Places Second in Competition



Georgia State University College of Law's Moot Court team was named a runner-up in the National Health Law Moot Court Competition on Nov. 1-2, 2013.

The team of Kara Gordon (J.D. '14), Janelle Alleyne (J.D. '15), Nirvi Shah (J.D. '15) and coach, Gregory Fosheim (J.D. '14) competed against teams from the universities of Maryland, Oklahoma, and New Mexico, as well as St. Louis University. Victoria Green, M.D., M.S.H.A. (J.D./M.B.A. '99), associate professor at Emory University School of Medicine, medical director of Grady OB/GYN Satellites Clinics and director, Grady Gynecology Comprehensive Breast Center served as a judge in the competition and presented the Georgia State Law team with their award.

"We are elated and this is truly an outcome to be proud of," said Gordon, Moot Court president who placed second for best oralist. "Our team worked extremely hard and had great support from the Center for Law, Health & Society faculty."

The competition is one of the premier moot court events. This year, it attracted 29 teams from 23 schools.

"Our dynamic team of women has demonstrated to the nation that Georgia State Law's Health Law and Moot Court programs are forces with which to be reckoned," Alleyne said. "We fared so well simply based upon our preparation and hard work, both principles taught every day in the College of Law."

Students Attend Professional Training Conferences

Student Health Law Association members were invited to attend several health-law related conferences, meetings, and trainings for attorneys and other professionals this year on a variety of topics. “We welcome diverse opportunities for our students to learn about current issues in health law from experts in the field and to network with practicing professionals,” said Stacie Kershner (J.D. '08), Associate Director of the Center for Law, Health & Society. Some of these opportunities included:

American Society of Bioethics and Humanities Annual Conference

The American Society for Bioethics and Humanities held their annual conference in Atlanta in October 2013. Georgia State University College of Law Professor Paul Lombardo sponsored six students to attend. The students also represented the Center for Law, Health & Society at its booth and provided information on the Georgia State health law program.

“One of the best parts of the conference was the questions from doctors and other non-legal professionals that came up during ‘Legal Update 2013: Top 10 Legal Developments in Bioethics,’” said Lindsay Laforge (J.D. '14). “It was interesting to hear their concerns on these health law topics.” Lombardo was a speaker at this session.

Advanced Health Care Law

Well-known Atlanta lawyers spoke on a variety of topics, including information privacy and security, health insurance exchanges, fraud and abuse, and Medicaid.

The Health Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia and the Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) offered an all-day conference entitled “Advanced Health Care Law” in November 2013. The Center for Law, Health & Society sponsored Kyle Gregory (J.D./M.S.H.A. '14), co-president of the Student Health Law Association, to attend the conference. “The conference helped me understand how each of the topics fit into the broader health care regulatory landscape and how the laws interact with each other,” said Gregory.

Public Health Law Research

Public Health Law Research, a program at Temple University that is funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to build the evidence base for laws that improve the public’s health, held its annual conference in Atlanta in January 2014. The conference offered a forum for academics, attorneys, and practitioners to discuss current research, methodology, and evidence for public health law and policy interventions.

Several Georgia State law and public health graduate students attended sessions



Student Volunteers at the ASBH Booth

in exchange for volunteering at registration or as note-takers for the interactive “SpeedStorming” session, in which small, interdisciplinary groups discussed public health problems and potential legal solutions.

Fundamentals of Health Care Law

The Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) once again offered several Georgia State Law students the opportunity to attend the all-day conference entitled “Fundamentals

of Health Care Law” co-sponsored by the Health Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia in March 2014. Speakers included expert health lawyers in Atlanta.

We welcome opportunities for our students to learn about current issues in health law from experts in the field and to network with practicing professionals.

– Stacie Kershner (J.D. '08), Associate Director of the Center for Law, Health & Society.

“This program reviewed the topics I have covered in class, and it allowed me to see how the laws and regulations are dealt with in practice,” said Jeremy Panter (J.D./M.B.A./M.H.A. '15).

Lessons in Dying

In April 2014, Jason Lesandrini, medical ethicist at Grady Health System and 2013-14 Religion and Public Life Fellow, presented “Lessons in Dying: A Conversation with Grady Hospital’s Medical Ethicist on Religion, Ethics, and End-of-Life Care” hosted by the Georgia State University Department of Religious Studies, in collaboration with other university programs including the Center for Law, Health & Society.

“Lesandrini successfully took the often-uncomfortable topic of death and made it approachable, ultimately offering the audience several practical ways of navigating the personal, ethical, and legal challenges that

GAHA Health Care Law Update and Annual Meeting

Barbara Rogers (M.B.A. '08, M.H.A. '09, J.D. '15), Jeremy Panter (J.D./M.B.A. /M.H.A. '15), and Greg Tanner (J.D./M.S.H.A. '16) attended the Georgia Academy of Healthcare Attorneys Health Care Law Update and annual meeting in May 2014.

“The annual GAHA meeting was an excellent opportunity to hear presentations from industry experts on important health law topics, and the mid-day networking was great to catch up with some familiar faces and meet new ones,” said Rogers, one of two GAHA summer fellows. Panter is the second fellow.

Summer Intern Training on Reproductive Rights Law & Justice

Law Students for Reproductive Justice hosted a training this June 2014, for law and graduate students at the American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia Reproductive Freedom Project. Chad Brock (J.D. '12), staff attorney and legislative counsel with ACLU was one of the speakers.

“For me, the most compelling discussion concerned legislation that would ban the shackling of female inmates during childbirth,” said Brett Duvall (J.D. '17) who attended the training. “It was encouraging to meet current and future attorneys here in Georgia who are committed to educating the public, ensuring social justice, and improving our laws.”



Fellows Attend Summer Institute on Public Health Law Education

“Amazing.” “Life-changing.” “Magical.”
“Transformative.”

These were some of the enthusiastic words that participants used to describe the 10-day summer institute held in July in Park City, Utah that launched a new faculty fellowship program on the future of public health law education. The conference was co-sponsored by Georgia State Law’s Center for Law, Health & Society and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

“The summer institute brought a wealth of resources and expertise together to support the fellows in designing courses and furthering their professional development,” said Charity Scott, lead faculty for the fellowship program and Catherine C. Henson Professor of Law. Participants included the fellows’ mentors, who are leading senior faculty in public health law; the fellows’ deans; leading legal education experts; and distinguished public health practitioners from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, state and local health departments, and organizations such as the Network for Public Health Law, and Public Health Law Research.

Georgia State University President Mark Becker, School of Public Health Dean Michael Eriksen, and College of Law Dean Steven Kaminshine opened the institute with a conversation about the future of higher education and the role that public health law can play. Kaminshine highlighted the benefits of increasing public health law courses. “Public health law is inherently interdisciplinary,” said Kaminshine. “It offers students the opportunity to connect the dots between apparently disparate legal disciplines – constitutional and administrative law, torts, contracts, property and others.”

Each formal session over the ten days modeled different pedagogical formats that fellows might use in their own teaching, including poster sessions, simulated case study, focus groups, facilitated feedback, and Open Space sessions, where the fellows

designed their own agenda. Michael Hunter Schwartz, co-author of “What the Best Law Teachers Do,” and his colleague Kelly Terry led a master teacher workshop that allowed participants to explore numerous teaching techniques. One memorable day was spent at the National Ability Center, where fellows and mentors participated in a service learning project, a ropes challenge course, and equine-facilitated learning, all of which challenged participants to go beyond their comfort zones.

“The time spent in the planned sessions was consistently engaging and enlightening,” said Scott. Topics ranged from public health ethics to careers for graduates to professional development and conflict

management. “Equally valuable was the time the fellows could spend informally with their mentors and the expert speakers, forming personal and professional relationships that will continue well beyond the fellowship year” Scott said.



Faculty Fellows at the Summer Institute



The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation funded Georgia State University College of Law through the Center for Law, Health & Society to design a fellowship program for faculty teaching public health law to the next generation of practitioners and policy makers.

The faculty fellows selected from across the nation through a highly competitive application process, are faculty at schools of law, public health, and social work. Over the course of the fellowship year, which continues through May 2015, the fellows will be introducing new courses in public health law at their home institutions.

Fellows

- Micah Berman, J.D., Assistant Professor of Public Health and Law at The Ohio State University College of Public Health and Moritz College of Law
- Elizabeth Bjerke, J.D., Assistant Professor with the Department of Health Policy and Management, Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh
- Kimberly Cogdell Boies, J.D., M.P.H., Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Law Institute at North Carolina Central University School of Law
- Amy Campbell, J.D., M.B.E., Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Health Law Institute at University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law
- Sarah Davis, J.D., M.P.A., Clinical Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Wisconsin Schools of Law, Medicine & Public Health, Nursing and Pharmacy
- Robert Gatter, J.D., M.A., Professor of Law and Co-director of the Center for Health Law Studies at Saint Louis University School of Law
- Jennifer Herbst, J.D., LL.M., M.Bioethics, Assistant Professor of Law at Quinnipiac University School of Law
- Laura Hermer, J.D., LL.M., Associate Professor of Law at Hamline University School of Law
- Heather McCabe, J.D., M.S.W., Assistant Professor at Indiana University School of Social Work and Adjunct Faculty at Schools of Law and Public Health at Indiana University Purdue University in Indianapolis
- Elizabeth Tobin Tyler, J.D., M.A., Clinical Assistant Professor of Health Services, Policy and Practice at Brown University School of Public Health and Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine at Brown University's Warren Alpert Medical School

Mentors

- Mary Crossley, J.D., Professor of Law at University of Pittsburgh School of Law;
- James Hodge, J.D., LL.M., Lincoln Professor of Health Law and Ethics and director of the Public Health Law & Policy Program at Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor School of Law;
- Kathleen Hoke, J.D., Professor of Law and Director of the Legal Resource Center for Public Health Policy at University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law;
- Ross Silverman, J.D., M.P.H., Professor of Health Policy and Management at Indiana University Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health and Professor of Public Health and Law at Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law
- Leslie Wolf, J.D., M.P.H., Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Law, Health & Society at Georgia State University College of Law

Team

- Charity Scott, J.D., M.S.C.M., Catherine C. Henson Professor Law at Georgia State University College of Law
- Stacie Kershner, J.D., Associate Director of the Center for Law, Health & Society at Georgia State University College of Law
- Cassie Hayasaka, Administrative Specialist with the Center for Law, Health & Society at Georgia State University College of Law
- Diane Hoffmann, J.D., M.S., Professor of Law and Director of the Law and Health Care Program at University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law
- Debra Gerardi, R.N., M.P.H., J.D., Chief Creative Officer of Emerging Health Care Communities (EHCCO)
- Nancy Kaufman, Consultant with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and President of the Strategic Vision Group

Center Co-hosts ABA HIV/AIDS Law & Practice Conference

Recent evidence indicates that nearly 50 percent of all new HIV infections in the United States occur in the South. Women and African-American men have been disproportionately affected. The increased impact of HIV/AIDS in southern communities was highlighted during the American Bar Association's AIDS Coordinating Committee, biannual HIV/AIDS Law & Practice Conference, entitled "Navigating a New Era." This national conference, co-hosted by the Center for Law, Health & Society, brought together legal practitioners and scholars, government officials, and community partners to discuss leading issues surrounding HIV/AIDS today.

Aspects of the impact of HIV/AIDS in the South, were movingly depicted through a plenary session showing of the documentary, "deepsouth." The film focuses on a handful of stories, including, Josh, a gay college student who must find support outside his own family, Monica and Tammy who host an annual HIV retreat in rural Louisiana, and Kathi, an activist who struggles to bring attention to the southern epidemic. The film presentation was followed by a plenary discussion with its director and producer, Lisa Biagiotti, along with Atlanta Legal Aid lawyer John Warchol and Carolyn McAllaster from the AIDS Legal Project at Duke University School of Law.

Other local speakers included Dazon Dixon Diallo, from the group SisterLove, Inc., a nonprofit focusing on educating Atlanta about AIDS prevention, Georgia State Law graduate Lisa Liang (J.D. '08) from Atlanta Legal Aid, Amanda Smith from the Georgia Legal Services Program, and Scott Titshaw and Zack Buck from Mercer University School of Law. Georgia State Law professor and center director Leslie Wolf presented on global issues.

Several Georgia State law and public health students attended the conference as guests of the ABA. "It is important for our students to understand the legal challenges that people living with HIV/AIDS continue to face," Wolf said. "Hearing from the lawyers who represent them helps our students see how they could make a difference in people's lives."



Recipients of the Alexandar Forger Awards for Sustained Excellence in the Provision of HIV Legal Services and Advocacy

Center Highlights



COURTNEY L. ANDERSON



Professor Anderson developed the course Law and Health Equity, which was first offered in spring 2014. This experiential learning course partners law students with community organizations in

underserved areas of Atlanta, where they are tasked with developing a program to address health disparities in the neighborhood. Professor Anderson's "The Disparate Impact of Shuttered Schools" has been accepted by the *Journal of Gender, Social Policy & the Law*.

ROBERTA M. BERRY



Professor Berry's co-authored article, "Risk Disclosure and the Recruitment of Oocyte Donors: Are Advertisers Telling the Full Story?" was published in the *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*. Her chapter,

"Genomic Information and Suffering in the Genomic Era," is forthcoming in the Oxford University Press volume, *Suffering and Bioethics*. She delivered a paper on neuroscience and national security at the 37th Annual Health Law Professors Conference, and is working on a co-authored article on that topic.

LISA R. BLISS



Professor Bliss recently received a national award honoring her outstanding contributions to clinical legal education from the Association of American Law

Schools Section on Clinical Legal Education. She visited Myanmar twice as a trainer for faculty workshops on developing law clinics. Bliss also visited India, where she gave three presentations on clinical education topics and was elected to the steering committee for the Global Alliance for Justice Education.

SYLVIA B. CALEY



Professor Caley presented on incorporating law students into the systemic advocacy process to address health policy issues at the Global Alliance for Justice Education Conference held in

New Delhi, India. Together with Health Law Partnership colleagues, she conducted a day-long workshop on creating a sustained medical-legal partnership for interested professionals at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital, Memphis Legal Assistance Program, and the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law in Memphis, TN.

ERIN C. FUSE BROWN



Professor Fuse Brown has been working on a series of articles on hospital pricing. Her article "Irrational Hospital Pricing" will be published in the *Houston Journal of Health Law & Policy*. She

has presented on the topic of hospital pricing at University of Tennessee and the annual conferences of the American Association of Law Schools, the Law & Society Association, the ASLME Health Law Professors Conference, and the Southeastern Association of Law Schools.

JESSICA D. GABEL



Professor Gabel has been working to implement forensic science standards to make evidence more reliable. She is currently working on a textbook on the law of forensic evidence. Professor Gabel also launched

the Bankruptcy Assistance & Practice Program in 2013 which pairs law students with mentor attorneys in the community to represent low-income debtors in bankruptcy court.

WENDY F. HENSEL



Dean Hensel's recent work includes an article published in the *Loyola Law Review* titled "Vouchers for Students with Disabilities," as well as a chapter in *Righting Educational Wrongs: Disability*

Studies in Law & Education, edited by Arlene Kanter. She also presented her work at the Moritz College of Law at Ohio State University, Loyola Law School, and at the annual Educational Law Association Conference in Denver, Colorado.

YANIV HELED



Professor Heled has forthcoming articles on the patenting of human organisms and on regulatory competitive shelters. He presented at several conferences, including PATCON 4 at the University of San Diego, the

2nd Annual Governance of Emerging Technologies Conference hosted by Arizona State University, and the IP

Scholars Conference at UC Berkeley. He published an opinion piece on patent trolls in *Jurist* and co-authored another article in *Genome Medicine* refuting the myth that patents cover a large portion of the human genome.

RANDALL L. HUGHES



Professor Hughes taught the evening section of Health Law: Finance and Delivery for his fifteenth year. He continues to participate in HeLP clinic case rounds where students review cases with

supervising attorneys and in HeLP case acceptance meetings where requests for assistance are prioritized and plans for the representation discussed. He also continues to volunteer with the Atlanta Legal Aid Society, serving on board committees for budgeting and fundraising, answering Georgia Senior Legal Hotline calls, and participating in case acceptance and client intake for the Health Law Unit.

PAUL A. LOMBARDO



Professor Lombardo was a visiting professor at the Center for Bioethics and Culture, Karachi, Pakistan. He also gave the Reynolds Historical Lecture, University of Alabama -

Birmingham, spoke at the University of Utah Law School, gave the Heberden Society Lecture at Weill-Cornell Medical College, spoke at Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, commented at a Yale School of Law workshop, and spoke at the Medical College of Wisconsin.

CHARITY SCOTT



Professor Scott led a 10-day summer institute on public health law education in Park City, Utah, as part of a year-long national faculty fellowship program funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

She published "Ethics Consultations and Conflict Engagement in Health Care" in the *Cardozo Journal on Conflict Resolution*. She organized a plenary workshop titled Starting, Building, and Fostering Health Law Programs at the 37th Annual Health Law Professors Conference.

EMILY F. SUSKI



Professor Suski's article "Dark Sarcasm in the Classroom: The Failure of the Courts to Recognize Students' Severe Emotional Harm as Unconstitutional" was published in the *Cleveland State Law Review*, and

she presented the paper at the American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting in New York. She also presented her current work in progress on school surveillance authority and privacy harms under cyber bullying statutes at the AALS Conference on Clinical Education and the University of Kentucky Developing Ideas Conference.

JONATHAN TODRES



Professor Todres's recent work includes "Responding to the Sexual Exploitation of Minors" in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, co-authored with Ellen Wright Clayton;

"Independent Children and the Legal Construction of Childhood" in the *Southern California Interdisciplinary Law Journal*; and "Health and Human Rights" in the *Oxford Bibliographies in Public Health*. He also presented papers recently at UC Hastings College of the Law, Indiana University at Indianapolis, and University of Puerto Rico School of Law.

LESLIE E. WOLF



Professor Wolf co-wrote an article with a former student that was published in the *American Journal of Public Health*. She presented at the annual meetings of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities,

American Public Health Association (poster), and International Society for Organ Donation and Procurement in Australia, among others. She is serving as a mentor for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Future of Public Health Law Education Faculty Fellowship Program.

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